

FUTURE - DENVER VA MEDICAL CENTER - AURORA, COLORADO

PROJECT EAGLE UPDATE

Monday, November 16, 2009

To ensure that our architects and designers have received input from as many sources as possible, the Project Eagle team has established several "Task Forces" to meet and provide guidance on individual programs and areas. Some examples of the initial Task Forces include "Patient, Staff and Materials Flow", "Honoring the Veteran", "Standardization of Rooms", and "Women's Advisory". An initial kick-off meeting for the Task Forces reviewed the mission of the project and an architectural overview of the new facility. Participants on these teams include veteran patients, the Project Eagle Team, and the architectural Joint Venture Team. We plan to organize more Task Forces, which will rely heavily on veteran patient input. This facility will belong to the veterans, and we want as much input from them as possible.

The architects are also building room mock-ups so that patients and staff can see a "draft" of potential rooms in three dimensions. The first mock up to be completed is of work spaces for the staff. Those will be unveiled during the week of November 16th and will be on the Denver campus. Future mock-ups of rooms may include patient rooms, patient bathrooms, exam rooms, inpatient rooms, and conference rooms. These will be permanent mock-ups and in the last stages will include wall colors and fixtures. These mock-ups will most likely be done in an offsite location due to the sheer number to be built and the space needed.

Progress summary for last week and the current week:

• Work on removing hazardous material continues

As always, you may contact me with questions at (303) 393-5205 or jordan.schupbach@va.gov.

Respectfully,

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